MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: May I know whether the Chief Inspector is a circuiting officer?

MR. N. RAMAMURTI: Yes, Sir.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: May I know whether he has reported any over-crowding in the buses more than the admitted over-crowding?

MR. N. RAMAMURTI: Since the issue of the order that buses should not be over-crowded beyond a certain limit, he has not made any report because such over-crowding has not arisen.

Time taken by buses plying between Kottayam and Trivandrum.

125 *MR. K. KUNJU PANICKAR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the time taken by the Express buses of the Government Transport Department to travel between Kottayam and Trivandrum up to the 1st of Medam 1118 and the time taken by it from 10-11-1118; and

(*b*) the time taken by the ordinary transport bus to travel from Kottayam to Trivandrum up to 1-7-1118 and after 10-11-1118?

MR. N. RAMAMURTI:

(*a*) Up to 1-9-1118 4¾ Hrs. *via* Kottarakara & Quilon.
4¼ ,, *via* Do. & Kilimanoor.
From 10-11-1118. 5¾ ,, *via* Do. & Quilon.
5¼ ,, *via* Do. & Kilimanoor.

(*b*) 6 hours and 6 hrs. 40 minutes respectively.

Broadcasting at Trivandrum.

126 *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN (*Kunnatnad cum Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) the stage at which the work in connection with broadcasting begun at Trivandrum is at present;

(*b*) when they expect the completion of the same;

(*c*) whether they have sent any one to any place for study and training in broadcasting and got him down;

(*d*) if so, who that person is, to which places he has been sent, and what amount has been spent on each such person by Government;

(*e*) whether people so trained and got down are now in service here; and

(*f*) if not, where and for what purpose they have gone?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA K. P. PADMANABHA MENON (*Electrical Engineer to Government*): (*a*) The erection of the Transmitter has been completed. The works in connection with the studio are in progress.

(*b*) The completion of the works in all respects depends upon the availability of a large number of essential spare parts which are on order mostly from abroad. In the meantime the transmitter is working regularly once every week.

(*c*) Yes.

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